

Rule 14: Discovery.

14.01(A) Rights of Discovery. Following a finding of probable cause the parties shall enjoy the same rights of discovery as are provided in the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

14.01(B) The Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure governing discovery shall be applicable to discovery under this rule, except to the extent that the Civil Rules by their nature would be inapplicable.

14.01(C) A party may file a Motion To Compel or a Motion For A Protective Order with an accompanying memorandum to the Commission. The Motion must be served upon all parties. Any party who objects to the Motion must file an Objection and an accompanying memorandum within fourteen days after service of the Motion.

14.02 Either party may examine the case file after the finding of probable cause has been made, the case has been closed or the case has been stayed, but documents and papers involving communications between the Commission and other civil rights agencies, internal memoranda, documents and papers relating to conciliation or settlement, and documents and papers revealing the identity of confidential sources will be taken from the case file by a staff member before the file is examined by either party. In addition, either party may request a list of the witnesses and documents which the other party intends to present at hearing. On the petition of a party, the Commission can authorize a party to withhold from the other party the name of a witness or a document to be presented at a hearing when justice would be served by withholding the information.